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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL for Delivery Tuesday 12-28-04
Ms. Abbie Hodgson
Campaign Finance Analyst
Federal Election Commission
Reports Analysis Division
Washington, DC 20463

Re: City Political Action Committee (CityPAC)

Identification Number: C00187526

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/04 - 9/30/04)

Dear Ms. Hodgson:

This letter is sent in response to your letter dated November 24, 2004 addressed to Kenneth M. Sackover (sic). Treasurer of CityPAC. First, picase be advised that our treasurer's name is Kenneth M. Salkover, not Sackover. Please update the FEC's records accordingly. Mr. Salkover is currently net-of-town and will not be reachable until after the New Year. Rather than waiting for his return at which time we can file electronically, at your suggestion. CityPAC is submitting this response by today's deadline and will supplement the information contained herein as soon as possible. With minor exception (on account of Mr. Salkover's absence), I believe this letter should satisfactorily address the issues raised in your letter.

Set forth below are responses to the specific questions which you have raised. Prior to addressing the specific matters, however, I believe some background information may prove helpful. CityPAC is a purely volunteer organization. We have no professional staff and every person involved in the organization is a volunteer, receiving no compensation whatsoever for their time.

Last summer, Elizabeth Santis, our Chief Administrative Officer and Treasurer unexpectedly resigned, due to work and health concerns. Since the beginning of the 2004 Election Cycle on January 1, 2003, Ms. Santis had been responsible for all of the PAC's FEC filings, accounting, bookkeeping and other general administrative functions. As detailed below, CityPAC does not have an office and our mailing address is a post office box at a downtown Chicago post office. As part of her responsibilities, Ms. Santis regularly checked the mailbox. Since her resignation, the responsibility for checking the PAC's mailbox has been mine

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and unfortunately, it is not as convenient for me as it was for Ms. Santis. As a result, we did not physically receive your letter until Tuesday, December 21, 2004.

Open Ms. Santis' unexpected resignation, we scrambled to find someone to take her place in time for the October filing. Mr. Salkover, who had not previously been on the PAC's board of directors or involved in any way in the PAC's finances or accounting, volunteered at "the last mimite" to take over the responsibilities of FEC filings. I realize you have written with specific questions and our responses are below, and I apologize for this level of detail. But, I hope this background description of our organization and a transition that took place during the filing period in question would be of interest.

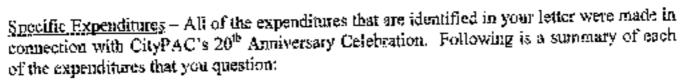
Following are responses to the specific questions raised in your letter. I realize some of these conswers may be redundant, but I am attempting to answer your questions in the order posed.

Identification Requirements -

- Attached as <u>Schedule A</u>, please find a copy of the reply card that was included in every invitation that we sent out to CityPAC's 20th Anniversary Celebration. This invitation, a copy of which is also included, represented our "original solicitation" and, as you can see by the asterisked text (asterisk added), includes a "clear and conspicuous" reference to the legal requirements of obtaining all of the identification information.
- Event was required to sign in upon arrival, at which time we requested that attendees supply missing information from their response cards. Although we were not able to procure all of the missing information, we were able to successfully procure a significant amount of missing information in this fashion. All of the people at the "sign in tables" were volunteers who were instructed to request all of the information.
- board of directors asking each director to personally call any people whom they personally knew who had contributed but not supplied the required information. Either Ms. Santis, our CAO/Treasurer at the time, or I called each of the remaining contributors who were not personally known by any of the board members. Although we do not have any specific documentation of these follow up phone calls, all of the information that was procured that this process was incorporated into the filling.
- In sum, all of the follow up information that was obtained has already been incorporated into the report for the filing period in question. To the extent that subsequent to this letter, we receive additional information, we will either (a) file with our next regularly scheduled report or (b) file an amendment to the report originally disclosing the contribution.

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- "Printing for fundraising event" these costs include all (a) invitation-related expenses, including typesetting, graphics, printing, addressing, postage and mailing and (b) costs for printing the event programs, all in connection with the 20° Anniversary Event.
- . "Photography" these costs are for a photographer at the 20th Anniversary Event.
- "Public Relations for fundraising event" these costs are for a consultant to help publicize the 20th Anniversary Event to the local media thru a series of press releases and follow up phone calls.
- "Fundraising event expenditures" As mentioned above, Mr. Salkover is currently our of town. He is the only person associated with the PAC who would have access to our recent filing. Accordingly, we cannot comment upon this line item until his return at which time we will supplement this letter and file an amended Schedule B clarifying this item.
- "Purchase of Video" CityPAC created a video presentation commemorating our 20th Anniversary. As part of the video, we used some footage from "Relentless," a documentary on the Middle East. In exchange for permission to use this video footage, CityPAC agreed to purchase copies of the documentary which we hope to sell at cost at events during the 2006 Election Cycle. This line item reflects the cost of the videos CityPAC purchased.

None of these expenditures were made on behalf of any specific federal candidate, but rather, in relation to CityPAC's 20th Anniversary fundraising event, as indicated above.

Administrative Expenses – Your letter correctly notes that we have limited payments for administrative expenses. In your letter, you raise a handful of "sub-questions," which are addressed as follows:

As previously stated, CityPAC does not employ any professional staff so there are no salaries, we have no office space for which rent is due, our telephone service is limited to a recorded phone line, we have no new office equipment and our supplies are minimal. All of this is in keeping with our volunteer nature and commitment to keep our overhead as low as possible.

CityPAC is not connected to any other organization.

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. CityPAC has not incurred any debt whatsoever, including debt that would be reportable on Schedule D.

. CityPAC has not received any goods or services which would be considered an in-kind contribution.

Again, this will confirm, in writing, that (a) "all expenses referenced [in your letter] (i.e., rent, salaries, utilities, etc.) have been adequately disclosed" and (b) all services that have been provided to the PAC have been provided by volunteers, unless otherwise specifically noted in our filing or above.

Other than the information for which Mr. Saikover is required, I hope that this letter satisfactorily addresses the issues raised in your letter. Again, we will submit this response, together with any missing information electronically, as soon as Mr. Salkover returns. I appreciate your patience and understanding during this process and urge you to call me directly with any follow-up questions you may have. I can be reached directly at my office, 312-970-3272.

Thank you one again for your consideration. Happy New Year!

Very Truly Yours

Steven M. Greenbaun,

CityPAC President

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CityPAC Board of Directors

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CityPAC Presents

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Celebrating 20 Years, 1984 - 2004

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Keynote Speakers:

Barack Obama

Hilimois State Senator Barack Obama is the Democratic Nomince for the open Haussia seat in the United States Senarc. Senator Oberna is correctly serving his shird term in the State Senate where he represents (limel/ 13th Senate Tistrict, which includes areas of Chicago's South Side. Obstrats the Cheminian of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee. Seronor Obama has a degree in Political Science from Columbia University and a JD from Harrard University, where he graduated Magna Com Laude. During law school, he was the first African-American Editor-in-Chief of the Harvard Law Review and was a member of the Executive Hoard of the Black Law Students Association. He spent five years working as a community organizer, first in Harlem, then in Chicago - Obama served as Illmois Executive Director of PROJECT VOTE!, which added over 100,000 newly registered voters in Illinois. Senator Obama is a civil rights attorney and, in addition to serving in the Illinois Senate, he is also a scoror between at the University of Chicago Law School, where he teaches consultational law. Secutor Obama is a proud husband and father of two young daughters. He is also a member of Trigity United Church of Clarist in Chicago.

Jack Ryan

jack Ryan is the Republican Nomince for the open Himois seas in the United States Senate. Since 2000, Mr. Ryan has tanger at Hales Franciscan High School, an all African American, all-boys, parochial school on Chicago's South Side. At Hales Franciscon, Ryan has rought classes in U.S. History, English, Law and SAT preparation. During Ryan's time at the school, 100% of the school's graduating students were accepted to college. Prior to joining the Hales Franciscan faculty, Ryan spear 15 years at Goldman Sachs working in their assestment banking department. Mr. Ryan tras a Bachelors degree from Dattmouth College, from which he graduated Somma Com Laude and Phi Bera Kappa. He followed up his wedergraduate studies by carring an MBA from Harvird Business School and a JD from Horeard Law School. For over ten years jack has secred as a prevince explain in New Trior Township and on the finance committee for monerous Republican candidates in Illinois. Presently, Jack serves on the feature committee for the Birrois Republican Party and he is the Emoneo co-chairman of the Cook County Republican Party, Jack grow up in Walmette, Illinois, where he attended New Trice High School.

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